

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In an optical disc apparatus using a decoder chip with no synchronization function of audio data and visual data, when reproduction of the audio data is not synchronized with reproduction of the visual data, the reproduction of the audio data is paused or fast-forwarded in a predetermined period for shortening the delay between the audio data and the visual data in a term during which no sound is outputted, for example, when operation mode of the optical disc apparatus is switched from fast-forwarding mode to reproducing mode or from pausing mode to reproducing mode.